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SUBJ: POLITICAL TERRORISM IN GUAYAQUIL

1. WAVE OF MINOR BOMBING ASSAULTS AGAINST PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS CONTINUES IN GUAYAQUIL. ONE INNOCENT NEARBY RESIDENT WAS AN INDIRECT VICTIM WHO SUFFERED A FATAL HEART ATTACK ON HEARING THE EXPLOSION.
 2. WITHOUT SPECIFICALLY SAYING SO OUTRIGHT LOCAL CHRISTIAN DEMOCRAT LEADER ACCUSED THE GOVERNMENT OF CREATING A CLIMATE OF TERRORISM WITH THE BOMBING OF HIS HOME. LAWYER DALTON BACIGALUPO BUENAVENTURA IS HEAD OF THE GUAYAS CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY.
 3. XAVIER BENEDETTI POLITICAL COLUMNIST FOR GUAYAQUIL'S PRESTIGIOUS "EL UNIVERSO" ALSO HAD A STICK OF DYNAMITE TOSSED UNDER HIS AUTOMOBILE. AN ALERT WITNESS TO THE ACT QUICKLY TOSSED THE PACKAGE INTO THE STREET WHERE IT EXPLODED WITHOUT DAMAGING ANYTHING EXCEPT PEOPLES NERVES.
 4. THE CONSULATE GENERALS ANALYSIS OF THE EVENTS INDICATES THAT THESE THREE LATEST ATTEMPTS WERE THE WORK EITHER OF THE POLICE OR INDIVIDUALS ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT. THE MO IN EACH
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CASE IS THE SAME AS MANY OTHER SIMILAR INCIDENTS IN THE PAST WHERE PROMINENT INDIVIDUALS WHO HAD SPOKEN OUT AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT HAD RECEIVED NOISY PRESENTS WITH NO ONE CLAIMING CREDIT FOR THE DEEDS. IN SUCH CASES NO ONE IS ARRESTED OR BROUGHT TO TRIAL THUS REINFORCING THE MANY RUMORS LAYING THESE BOMBING ASSAULTS AT THE DOOR OF GOVERNMENT AGENCIES.

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